

Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner East Community Committee:

**Burmantofts & Richmond Hill, Gipton & Harehills,
Killingbeck & Seacroft**

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To Note

Inner East Community Committee - Update Report

Purpose of report

- 1.** To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.
- 2.** This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings and functions delegated to Community Committees, Community Champions roles, community engagement, partnership and locality working.

Main issues

- 3.** Members will have considered Appointments to Outside Bodies and Community Champions elsewhere on the Community Committee agenda. Members are now asked to make nominations to each of the Inner East Community Committee Subgroups for 2022/23.

The 2021/22 representatives are shown below:

Subgroup	Number of places	Current appointees	Community Committee Champion
Inner East Environment and Community Safety Subgroup	3	Cllr Katie Dye Cllr Arif Hussain Vacancy	Vacant
Inner East Children and Young Peoples Subgroup	3	Cllr Katie Dye Vacancy Vacancy	Vacant

Members are invited to nominate representatives for each of the Inner East Community Committee Subgroups.

4. Children & Young People: Champion Vacant

Youth Services

Burmantofts and Richmond Hill

Ensure the most vulnerable are protected

We have continued to see a rise in numbers at our open centre-based provisions. This includes our Nowell Mount Youth Club (Tuesday evenings) and our bi-weekly Youth Club at Richmond Hill (Wednesday and Friday), the Youth Provisions provide an opportunity for Young People to engage with Youth Workers in a safe space.



The above pictures highlight just a few examples of Young People engaging in various discussions and activities. Our Youth Work Team blend the opportunity to have fun with a range of issue-based topics and interventions covering safeguarding, substance misuse, how to stay safe, what would make them feel safe in their local area, wellbeing, sexuality, healthy eating, peer pressure and bullying.

These images were taken from provisions that were recently delivered at both Richmond Hill and Nowell Mount. Sessions focused on hate crime and the impact that this had on self, others, and the wider community. Young People created posters to highlight the impact and consequences.

Young also explored the meaning behind Child Criminal and Sexual Exploitation. We discussed signs, impacts, and how to report. Young People created an information board to raise awareness to others in the local community.

Our detached provision continues across the ward, covering key areas such as East End Park, Crossgreen, Lincoln Green, Ebor Gardens, the Bellbrook's, and Coldcotes. This not only provides an opportunity for Young People who don't attend our centre-based provisions to engage with Youth Workers, it also highlights the presence of Youth Workers in the local ward. Following several of our detached provisions, workers have shared information which has then been directly uploaded via the police intelligence portal.

Improving social, emotional, and mental health wellbeing.

Social, emotional, and mental wellbeing continues to be a key focus across several of our provisions. Several of our sessions have focused directly on wellbeing, exploring what is meant by wellbeing, how we can maintain a positive wellbeing and what support is available should challenges be presented which impact negatively upon our wellbeing. In addition, we have also ensured the delivery of many provisions which indirectly support the development and maintenance of positive wellbeing'. This has included a range of healthy eating cook and eat sessions, fruit tasting, and several sporting activities.

Support young people to make good choices and minimise risk-taking behaviours

A key feature of many of our provisions is the informal education and empowerment that leads to an increased level of positive decision making. We are constantly looking at ways in which Young People can be supported and empowered to not only be able to identify negative choices but also seek and engage with positive decision making which not only impacts upon themselves but also their local community. This past quarter our Youth Work Team have continued to develop positive relationships with the local Neighbourhood Policing Teams and as such delivered several sessions in partnership with local PCSOs. This has enabled the building of relationships between Young People and local officers whilst serving as a clear reminder of the impact that making negative choices can have on both yourself and the community.

Our educational drugs box has provided an extremely popular resource across several of our provisions. This enables contemporary support and advice to be shared alongside a range of interactive resources and engagement opportunities. Young People have been able to discuss and explore the impact that substance misuse can have upon them and their subsequent health and decision making.

When exploring choices and decision making, during recent sessions in partnership with Catherine (Learning Partnerships), this served to highlight that there are also many individuals who are not in such a fortunate position to have such autonomy and choice with respect to the decisions we make. This was paramount during several discussions had with Young People about the ongoing impact and reporting of the war in Ukraine. Young People took part in a number of sessions which explored what they could possibly do which would have the potential to have a positive impact upon those affected. Through discussions with Catherine and the Youth Work Team, Young People came up with the idea of creating wellbeing/support packages for Ukrainian refugees and will be handing these out in the coming weeks.

Killingbeck and Seacroft

Ensure the most vulnerable are protected

We continue to offer a range of weekly provision to provide opportunities for Young People to engage with Youth Workers in a range of safe environments. This includes provision at The Dennis Healey

Centre, Crossgates Community Centre, and various locations across the ward through the delivery of our Detached provision.

Our Detached provision has enabled us to engage with both Young People and members of the community and direct this to where it is most needed following various communications from partners and ward members. In addition to our regular provision which covers Tesco's, North Parkway, Rein Park, and Boggart Hill, we have also increased our ongoing presence at Killingbeck Meadows and Parklands Primary following various reports of anti-social behaviour.

In recent months we have also explored ways in which we can develop our provision within Crossgates Community Centre, and it has been great to see numbers increased on a such a regular basis. At both our Youth Clubs we have covered safeguarding, substance misuse, how to stay safe, what would make them feel safe in their local area, wellbeing, sexuality, healthy eating, peer pressure and bullying. Discussions and explorations of these topics allow Youth Workers to both empower and challenge Young People on a weekly basis to ensure both Young People and the community are protected.

Improving social, emotional, and mental health wellbeing.

We continue to see the ongoing impacts of the Covid 19 pandemic on Young People on a weekly basis. This this ranges from increased levels of anxiety, a regression in social skills and further indirect consequences such as falling behind with school work and the loss of close family members. As a direct response to this, across the entire of our Inner East provision we have increased our offer of one-one support. This has enabled Young People to explore their thoughts, feelings, and emotions on a one-one basis with various members of the Youth Work Team to ensure every opportunity is explored and when possible, taken to alleviate many of the challenges that Young People are facing.

We continue to explore and implement a range of provisions to ensure we can encourage and empower Young People to improve their overall wellbeing. We have delivered several sessions which have engaged Young People in discussions around what makes a good friend, what they would want from a good friend and how they in turn can be a good friend to others. From these discussions we have facilitated discussions on peer pressure and how the presence of this can impact negatively on our social wellbeing.

Young People have reported several issues that they feel contribute to various worries. Just two examples of this include the perceived rise of knife crime in the local area and what they feel was a reduction in opportunity to exercise. To tackle these concerns head on we developed and implemented several awareness sessions on knife crime and explored what we can do to challenge this and how we can stand together to feel safer within our local community. We were able to arrange for Alison Middlemas to come deliver targeted first aid sessions to empower Young People to have the knowledge of what they could do to support someone who had been the victim of an assault/knife attack. This provided Young People with practical skills and knowledge of how they could use local resources in conjunction with their new skills to save lives.

When discussing opportunity to exercise with Young People, many explained that they had bikes but that they had fallen into disrepair and were unable to use (or it was they were unsafe to use). We were subsequently able to refer Young People to bike register which not only allowed Young People to have their bike registered on the national cycle database (in case of theft) but also provided an opportunity to have a look at the condition of their bikes and make some minor repairs.

Support young people to make good choices and minimise risk-taking behaviours

Encouraging and facilitating positive decision making has been a key element of much of our recent provision across the ward. As part of our Thursday provision at the Dennis Healey Centre we had seen several challenges with respect to challenging and anti-social behaviours. We therefore spent a number of sessions exploring a new group agreement where both Young People and Youth Workers were able to discuss what they expected from both the session at each other. Whilst this is a slow

(but developing) process, we now have the foundations in place in which we plan to develop a successful provision in the coming weeks and months.



Thanks to funding from the Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) we have been able to deliver several additional sessions across the ward which are solely focused on engaging Young People who have been identified as participating in risk taking behaviours. We have delivered a range of targeted sessions on the substance misuse, anger management, and anti-social behaviour. This has had an extremely positive impact on two groups of Young People from separate ends of the ward who have now been engaging for several weeks and gradually building relationships with members of our Youth Work Team. This additional funding has also allowed for further provision and as such our team are now delivering Detached in the area up to 23:00 on a Thursday night and thus providing an opportunity to engage with both Young People and members of the community at a time in which anti-social behaviour has been reported to increase.

Gipton & Harehills

Ensure the most vulnerable are protected

Our Youth Work Team have delivered a range of issue-based sessions over the last quarter. Key themes include wellbeing, knife crime, and anti-social behaviour. We have also noted that several Young People have referred to themselves as 'part of a gang', subsequently conversations around this have featured heavily in the quarterly programme. These Young People had become extremely vulnerable to the challenges they faced with respect of being able to manage conflict without resorting to violence.

Sessions focused on exploring what making positive choices looked like, the consequences of carrying a knife on both themselves and their peers whilst continually focusing on hopes and aspirations.

We continue to take the mobile Youth Service Van out on a regular basis and provide a safe space for Young People to access further support within the community. This has been a key part of developing relationships and provision with young girls in the area and we are keen to develop this further in the form of a specific provision for young women and girls. This is currently in the early stages of development, and we will aim to commence delivery in the early weeks of the next quarter.

We have also used our mobile van to engage with a local group of boys who have taken part in recent sessions which have focused on the development of new resources to be used across the city with regards to substance misuse information and awareness. Having access to the mobile unit allowed our team to take this provision to them on a weekly basis.

Our team continue to respond to information shared by local police which has enabled us to direct a provision to those Young People and communities who are most in need.

We have also begun an increased level of partnership work with the local neighbourhood police across the Gipton and Harehills Ward. Whilst historically our partnership work has always been successful, because of having new cohorts of Young People engage, we have identified the need to ensure all Young People are able to build respectful and positive relationships with local officers. Whilst this not only has benefits for every session, but this partnership work is also invaluable when preparing for flashpoints throughout the year such as Bonfire Night, Mischief Night and Halloween.

As part of this work, we are also exploring a number of ways in which we can develop this partnership work in the future.

Our Youth Work Team have continued to explore various avenues where C-Card support can be offered in the local community. At times Young People from the local community are cautious about approaching staff for support and advice on this subject matter and as such the team have tailored both provision and discussion to ensure the needs of Young People, from then local community are met.



Improving social, emotional, and mental health wellbeing.

Sports and fitness are something that many of the Young People who we engage are keen to take part in. We have incorporated this into much of a regular provision. This has provided the opportunity to explore the wider aspects of fitness through healthy lifestyles. In addition to a range of sport-based sessions, we have delivered focused sessions on healthy eating, good sleep habits, and the importance of looking after physical and mental wellbeing.

We have developed a drop-in session at the Compton Centre (in addition or our Compton Centre Youth Club) which has been solely focused on supporting Young Girls/Women explore various issues such as positive body image, self-esteem, self-worth, and self-care.

On exploring issues that are impacting Young People across all issues, many Young People reported that they are struggling with school and attendance has reduced to non-completion of work. Our team have responded to this by setting up a temporary homework club from our mobile unit. This has led to a direct increase in several Young People increasing their attendance.

Support young people to make good choices and minimise risk-taking behaviours

We continue to run our bi-weekly provisions from The Bilal Centre, Ashton Park, Banstead Park, and in the local area surrounding The Henry Barran Centre. A key feature of these provisions has been developing trusting relationships with Young People with the aim of being able to offer resource and informal education to divert away from engaging in risk taking behaviours.

We have continued to deliver one-one support to several Young People who have been referred or identified via our Core Offer and have recently commenced delivering one-one support for identified Young People in local school settings.

Following the success of our Violence Reduction Unit Programme in previous quarters. This group has since become our voice and influence group and engaged in various decision making process' for the service. Young People were recently involved in our latest round of recruitment.

Our team have also recently increased provision in/around the Ashton Park Area following recent reports of increasing anti-social behaviours. This area will remain a priority due to the upcoming warmer weather and lighter nights

4. Health and Wellbeing & Adult Social Care: Champions Councillor David Jenkins & Vacant

Public Health Winter Well-being Events Inner East

Following on from the successful Winter Wellbeing events that took place late last year, three more events were held in March 2022 in the following schools;

8th March at Brownhill Primary Academy,
11th March at Richmond Hill Primary School.
17th March at Brake Edge Primary School.

Below is the evaluation which provides an insight into how successful the team was in engaging with both schools and parents on emotional, health and wellbeing issues. Positive feedback was received by the agencies who attended the events shows how these events are important so they can share each other's projects and encourages joint working.

A Summer Wellbeing event will be held at Nightingale School on Thursday 24th July 2:30pm until 4pm

Contact tina.leslie@leeds.gov.uk for more information or you want to book a stall at the event.

Community Vaccine Clinics

Multiple COVID Vaccination clinics have been running across the Inner East area. Public Health have been working in partnership with several third sector agencies and faith groups. This also includes a drop-in at St Aiden's food share every Saturday in May 10-1pm a drop in at Richmond Hill Jubilee fun day and various other events taking place over the holiday weekend

Healthy Start Uptake Promotion

Healthy Start vouchers are no longer available in paper form since the end of March 2022. At the start of the new financial year a new online system is in place where a prepayment card is being issued. The online process has meant that some parents will be excluded from claiming. Public Health are working with Zest and several partners to support families with the new system. Public Health have also visited several local shops to inform them of the change and what foods the shops can offer for the clients. For more information click the link here: <https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/how-to-apply/>

Banners are being placed at Children's Centres and the Compton Centre to make parents/ carers aware of the new scheme.

Two events in the area are being organised to further raise awareness. The first event will take place at Compton Centre on the 9th June 10am until 2pm. Councillor Salma Arif will be attending the opening. The second event is at Gipton South Children's Centre on the 23rd June 10am until 12 noon.

For more information, please contact Esther Bissell – esther.bissell@zestleeds.org.uk or tina.leslie@leeds.gov.uk

Roma Women's Group

Funded by Public Health, the money will support Roma women predominantly in the Inner East over the next 10 months. The sessions will offer emotional health and wellbeing support including physical activity, mental health, healthy eating, ESOL, parenting skills.

There are over 500 Roma families the group will be supported by local women and will be able to identify the needs of the community and react at a grassroots level to support good health outcomes. The sessions will be held on a Saturday starting at the BAME hub.

For more information or to offer a session contact tina.leslie@leeds.gov.uk

HATCH Domestic Violence subgroup

The HATCH LCP group has decided on three priorities of which Domestic Violence and Abuse is one. A successful workshop took place with over 60 local organisations both voluntary sector and statutory services attending several priority themes were identified.

A subgroup of HATCH was formed to act on the priority themes identified with one being domestic violence.

A training awareness session was held on 25th May for anyone interested or supporting people working with domestic violence victims.

If you would like more information, please email Chetna Patel - chetna.patel@leeds.gov.uk

Licencing

Public Health are involved in supporting various decisions to support the objection of new licencing applications in areas of Inner East that are deemed unhealthy for residents and have been successful in revoking or changing trading hours.

Advonet Grant Funding for Advocacy support in communities

Public Health supported an awareness session to promote Advonet's new grant funding opportunities which will be opened in July. The funds will support people who work in this area but do not get support. The awareness session brought over 80 people to the session with talks from Leeds Refuge Forum and Councillor Fiona Venner.

For more details contact bushra.javed@advonet.org.uk

City wide initiatives

Everybody Can weight management update

For the time being, we are putting the "Every Body Can" campaign on hold, as we are planning to evolve our brand to become a central point for all things to help residents of Leeds live a healthy life.

Going forward, we will be working with organisations across the city to ensure that 'Every Body Can' becomes your one stop information point for healthy living, including eating well, losing weight, moving more and quitting smoking.

In the meantime if you would like any information on healthier eating, lose weight, being active or quitting smoking please visit – Better Health – NHS (www.nhs.uk) or for local services to support you live a healthier life, go to One You Leeds | One You

Thank you all for your fantastic support and for encouraging each other in making positive steps to maintaining a healthy weight.

Long Covid peer support group

Reginald Centre, Chapeltown, Leeds

A Long Covid peer support group has been set up and meets at the Reginald Centre. The group is an opportunity to meet others and share experiences of living with Long Covid. The meetings are weekly on a Tuesday from 2.00 - 3.00pm.

For further information please contact: Kirsty.jamieson@leeds.gov.uk

Free Personalised End of Life Care training

The West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership's Personalised Care Programme are delivering, in partnership with St Gemma's Hospice: Personalised End of Life Care Training:

This training consists of 4 virtual interactive education sessions will focus on 4 key areas of end of life:

- Supporting personalised and advance care planning discussions at the end of life
- Difficult conversations at the end of life
- Supporting carers to care for patients in last weeks and days of life
- Bereavement and loss (including self-care)

The training is open to participants within the West Yorkshire and Harrogate region only and places are limited.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/o/st-gemmas-hospice-academic-unit-of-palliative-care-20041908130>

Annual Leeds Public Health and Wellbeing Conference 2022

Elland Road, Leeds, 20 June, 9.30-4.00pm

The Power of Connections

This is your opportunity to hear about the latest public health evidence and what works, to network with colleagues and celebrate all the great work that is taking place in Leeds.

The conference is relevant for anyone who is working to improve health and wellbeing in Leeds.

You can find out more and book your free place [here](#).

Want to Know More About...

Air pollution

Thursday, 26 May 2022, 10:30am to 11:30am

Poor air quality is the largest environmental risk to public health in the UK, as long-term exposure to air pollution can cause chronic conditions such as cardiovascular and respiratory diseases, as well as lung cancer, leading to reduced life expectancy.

To help mark Clean Air Day in June, this session will address the issue of air pollution, raising awareness of the types of pollutants, their harmful effects and how we can support communities to improve their health by modifying behaviours and minimising their exposures to air pollutants.

The session will specifically address:

- what air pollution is and the types of pollutants
- the health effects of air pollution
- the data gathered nationally and locally and what this means
- air pollution and its relationship with vulnerability and inequalities
- what we can do about air pollution and how you can help yourself

The session will be aimed at all colleagues in the public health wider workforce including frontline workers and third sector staff.

It will be presented by Public Health Specialists (Leeds City Council), Environmental Health, and Office of Health and Disparities (formally Public Health England).

To find out more or book a place visit [Want to know more about ... \(leeds.gov.uk\)](#)

Heatwave plan

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has released the heatwave plan for Summer 2022. The heatwave plan includes advice and resources for professionals such as the Beat the Heat checklist and social media assets which partners can use throughout summer and during heatwaves. The plan also includes action tables that highlight roles and responsibilities for partners and stakeholders, depending on the level of alert. The plan offers advice for the NHS, local authorities, social care and other public agencies, professionals working with people at risk, local communities and voluntary groups. LCC Public Health's Weather and Health Impact Group (WHIG) are adapting the heatwave plan to support local preparedness during the summer. The UKHSA plan and additional resources can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/heatwave-plan-for-england>

If you would like more information on these topics a please email Chetna.patel@leeds.gov.uk or Tina.leslie@leeds.gov.uk

Leeds Domestic Violence Website (LDVS)

The new Leeds Domestic Violence Service website is now live. The new site can be accessed at ldvs.uk. There are sections for people who need help now and provides help around exiting the website quickly, deleting history trails, information for professionals and a variety of resources. The site draws together important information on domestic violence and abuse, and how to get support from LDVS and other services, both local and national. It hosts detailed information for professionals on how to refer into the service, including a new online referral form, as well as the existing downloadable form. It also includes several resources for victims-survivors; people supporting loved ones affected by domestic violence and abuse; and professionals working with victims-survivors.

WYP (LD) Domestic incidents, Feb-22 to Apr-22

Ward	Domestic Incidents	Ward Position	Repeat Flag - Victim	Repeat Flag - Suspect	Arrest Flag	Drugs Flag	Alcohol Flag	Children Present Flag	High	Medium	Standard	Other	Crime
Burmantofts & Richmond Hill	367	2	50%	42%	20%	4%	14%	26%	7%	55%	24%	14%	81%
Gipton & Harehills	445	1	55%	45%	24%	5%	9%	21%	11%	53%	22%	13%	80%
Killingbeck & Seacroft	327	4	45%	39%	16%	3%	9%	25%	5%	56%	23%	16%	83%
Grand Total	1139	-	50%	42%	21%	4%	11%	24%	8%	55%	23%	14%	81%

Information Sharing

- Information used to compile this report has been derived from provisional data before it is finalised and published as public statistics.
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5. Environment and Community Safety: Champion Vacant

Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team (LASBT)

All LASBT officers are now fully operational with no restrictions. Deacon House is the base for LASBT if fully staffed albeit with reduced desk numbers.

Cases opened in the last 3 months by ward and type

- Burmantofts & Richmond Hill = 15, of which 3 x Noise, 10 x ASB, 2 x Hate.
- Gipton & Harehills = 25, of which 4 x Noise, 20 x ASB.
- Killingbeck & Seacroft = 23, of which 19 x ASB, 3 x Hate, 1 x DV.
- Total =63

Current caseload

112 active cases

There are no new trends or hotspots just an increase in reporting due to lighter nights and people being more visible in the evenings. The misuse of motorbikes and quads remains an issue right across the area.

Several key legal interventions including injunctions and premises closure orders have had an immediate impact in reducing ASB and reports of ASB in the target areas. Work is ongoing with partners to tackle issues in a number of key locations across the area.

All LASBT staff are now back to working as they did before the pandemic and able to perform their roles fully. Their time is split between office working (minimum 2 days per week) and home working, in line with corporate guidelines. Currently 7 case officers are operating across the patch.

Inner East Cluster – Serious and Acquisitive Crime Demand:

Inner East SAC Demand Totals	Mar - Apr 22	Apr - May 22	Change
Burglary - business and community	10	11	1
Burglary - residential	61	59	2
Robbery	16	17	1
Theft from motor vehicle	38	28	10
Theft of motor vehicle	24	21	3
Grand Total	149	136	13

Burmantofts and Richmond Hill	Mar - Apr 22	Apr - May 22	Change
Burglary - business and community	6	7	1
Burglary - residential	21	14	7
Robbery	7	3	4
Theft from motor vehicle	13	9	4
Theft of motor vehicle	7	11	4
Grand Total	54	44	10

Gipton and Harehills	Mar - Apr 22	Apr - May 22	Change
Burglary - business and community	3	0	3
Burglary - residential	19	20	1
Robbery	6	11	5
Theft from motor vehicle	23	14	9
Theft of motor vehicle	10	4	6
Grand Total	61	49	12

Killingbeck and Seacroft	Mar - Apr 22	Apr - May 22	Change
Burglary - business and community	1	4	3
Burglary - residential	21	25	4
Robbery	6	3	3
Theft from motor vehicle	2	5	3
Theft of motor vehicle	7	6	1
Grand Total	37	43	6

Inner East Cluster Anti-Social Behaviour Demand:

Inner East ASB Demands	Mar-Apr 22	Apr-May 22	Change
Adult nuisance - non alcohol related	10	17	7
Alcohol	13	14	1
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	12	13	1
Nuisance car/van	11	3	8
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	64	48	16
Youth related	27	49	22
Grand Total	137	144	11

Burmantofts and Richmond Hill	Mar-Apr 22	Apr-May 22	Change
Adult nuisance - non alcohol related	6	2	4
Alcohol	1	2	1
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	6	4	2
Nuisance car/van	3	0	3
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	15	7	8
Youth related	11	12	1
Grand Total	42	27	15

Gipton and Harehills	Mar-Apr 22	Apr-May 22	Change
Adult nuisance - non alcohol related	3	9	6
Alcohol	10	11	1
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	3	3	0
Nuisance car/van	6	2	4
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	25	15	10
Youth related	11	15	2
Grand Total	58	55	3

Killingbeck and Seacroft	Mar-Apr 22	Apr-May 22	Change
Adult nuisance - non alcohol related	1	6	5
Alcohol	2	1	1
Fireworks/snowballing	0	0	0
Littering/drugs paraphernalia	0	0	0
Neighbour related	3	6	3
Nuisance car/van	2	1	1
Nuisance motorcycle/quad bike	24	26	2
Youth related	6	22	16
Grand Total	38	62	24

6. Leeds Watch

The LeedsWatch service is currently undergoing a review which is looking at all aspects of the service, including the operation of the control room, effectiveness of its cameras.

The review is also to include a reporting strand which will serve to agree the way forward to provide information regarding CCTV to Councillors and Partners.

This report covers the different types of incidents captured by CCTV operators in real time for the cameras located in the Inner East area committee area, for quarter 4 2021/2022 and quarter 1 2022/2023.

List of current cameras in the Inner East area

88 cameras are the cameras where incidents have been captured in the Inner East area committee within these quarters.

GDPR – Information Sharing

The introduction of the GDPR 2018 regulations reviewed the area of information sharing and therefore restricted the detail of what can be provided. As a result, the content of this report may not have the detail of specific incidents previously reported but provides a summary of the types of incidents within the area.

Incidents captured by CCTV operators:

Qtr. 4 and 1 – Inner East Cameras incidents (1st January - 27th May 2022)							
	January	February	March	April	May	Total incidents per category	
Alarm Activation	1			1		Alarm Activation	2
ASB	10	11	12	12	10	ASB	55
Cash In Transit		1				Cash In Transit	1
Drugs	1	2	1		1	Drugs	5
Enforcement	17	7	3	7	8	Enforcement	42
Fire		1		3		Fire	4
Health & Safety	5	2	2	7	4	Health & Safety	20
Police Operation	4	2	7	6	4	Police Operation	23
Public Order	6	6	11	19	12	Public Order	54
Road Traffic	23	10	11	14	6	Road Traffic	64
Suspicious Events		2	2			Suspicious Events	4
Theft	3	1	1	3	2	Theft	10
Total Per Month	70	45	50	72	47	Total sum of incidents	284

CCTV also contributes towards Police enquiries as requests are made for footage which may not have been observed “real time”. These incidents are not included in this report but can contribute towards arrests being made in the Inner East Area.

Following the recent announcement of the new Full Fibre Network provider being awarded to BT work will now commence to upgrade all CCTV cameras from analogue to digital. This will significantly improve the image quality and increased effectiveness of cameras in the Ward.

Requests for new Cameras

The Surveillance Camera Commissioner is appointed by the Home Secretary to ensure that surveillance camera systems in public places keep people safe and protect and support them.

Following changes to Data Protection legislation the council needs to ensure that all its CCTV systems are managed in line with the Commissioner's recommendations to ensure there are no data breaches (this includes CCTV systems in all Leeds City Council assets including libraries, sports centres, council vehicles fitted with CCTV, etc.).

A dedicated CCTV compliance team has been established within Leeds City Council.

The compliance team also work closely with Information Governance to assist in ensuring all system owners are compliant with their codes of practice, policies, and procedures.

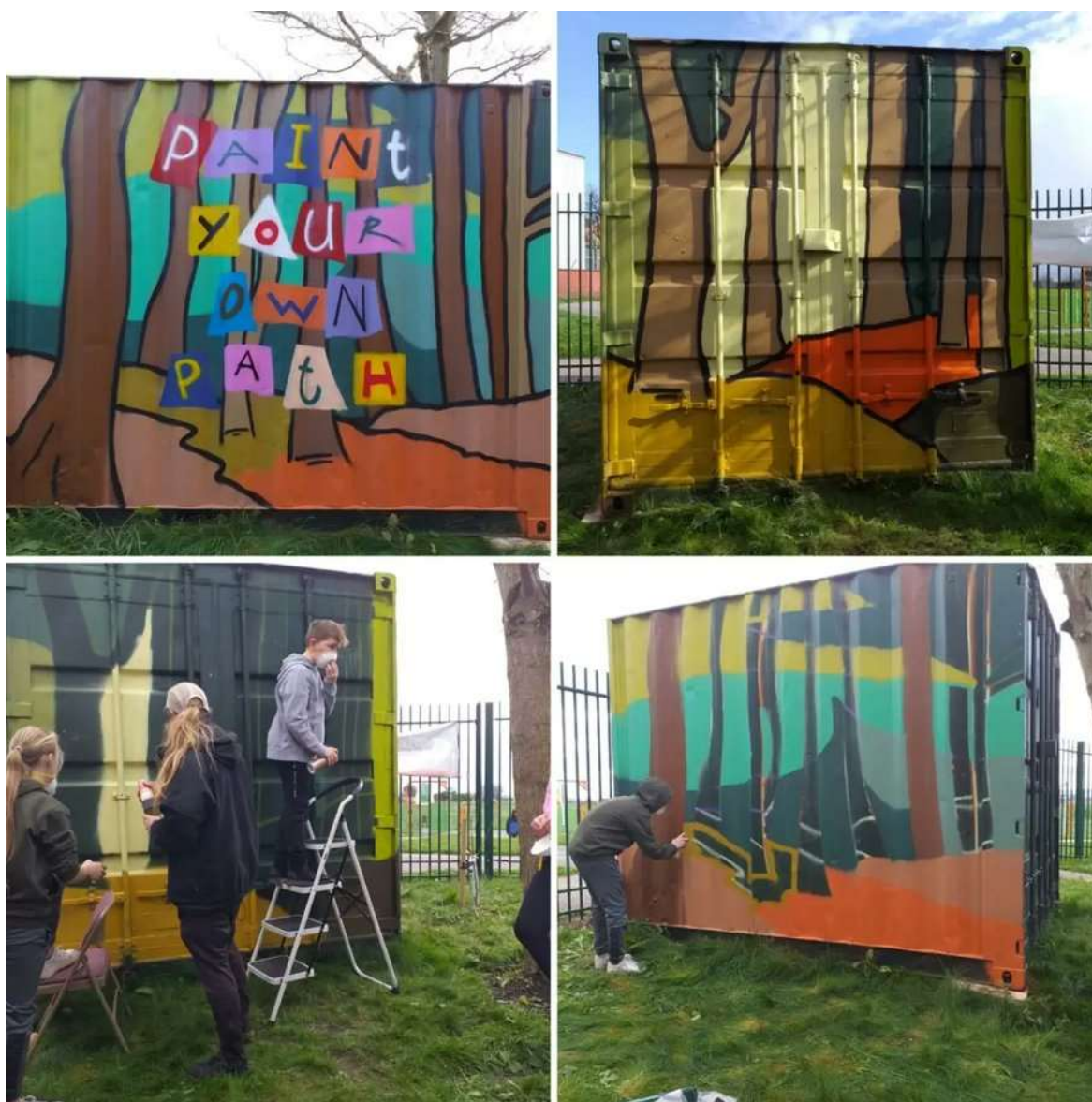
Recommendations

Contents of report to be noted

7. Burmantofts & Richmond Hill (BRH) – Priority Neighbourhood & Target Wards

Nowell Mount Community Centre – Youth identity project

The activity programme at Nowell Mount Community Centre continues to develop with a range of groups and activities taking place each week for children, young people and adults. The Tuesday and Thursday evening Youth groups led by Youth Service and CATCH respectively are now well established. Whilst feedback about the facility and activities has been positive young people have feedback that the building did not feel particularly young people friendly, they wanted to create a more unique identity for the space. In response to this CATCH and The Youth Association have worked with young people to re-decorate the hall in a brighter colour scheme, also putting a pool table in the space and 3 computers. On the outside The Youth Association ran an urban arts workshop transforming one of the shipping containers on the site. One of the young people attending the sessions said “I can’t believe they have actually listed to our ideas”.



Lyndsey Gardens Play Area

LCC Parks and Countryside have secured funding for further improvements to the play area at Lindsey Gardens. Consultation with local children prior to Covid indicated a desire for more challenging elements in the play area, specifically more climbing activities. Funding for a new climbing structure has been secured with contributions from Active Leeds, Housing and Highways. The new structure is substantial and is currently being installed on site. Work is due to be complete by the end of June.



Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Community Anchor

Voluntary Action Leeds have been providing support to the third sector across the city to explore the concept of a city-wide community anchor network. This idea has emerged following the success of the Community Care Volunteering Hubs that were set up to provide support during Covid. In Burmantofts and Richmond Hill there is a strong VCS with a good track record of working collaboratively, early discussions amongst partners were clear that in BRH ward no single organisation could be the Community Anchor – it would only work if it was a network or partnership of local organisations. Leeds Mencap have played a lead role in contacting local groups and talking to them about the concept. Two early outcomes from this process have been to establish hyper-local regular catch ups for local groups – These are referred to as “patch meetings”, they offer partners a weekly half hour opportunity to meet physically or virtually with each other. So far Patch meeting are established in Richmond / East End Park and Lincoln Green / Burmantofts. The final patch will be Nowells to Comptons.

The second early outcome has been the development of a virtual information system for the ward. This is trying address the perennial challenge of how to keep up to date with relevant information about services, activities and sources of support for communities in the ward. Leeds Mencap staff have invested substantial time in pulling together information and organising it into a sharable “Google Docs” format. This is called VIRB - Virtual Information for Richmond Hill and Burmantofts. So far, the VIRB has sections on

- Finances and Benefits
- Services and Support
- Course, Classes, Groups and Things to Do

The Community Anchor is still in its early stages, one of the key next steps will be to identify how this new local network can connect most effectively with the established “architecture” around locality working including the Community Committees, the Neighbourhood Improvement Partnership and other networks such as the Local Care Partnerships.


9. Gipton & Harehills – Target Ward

Harehills Neighbourhood Plan & Forum

Leeds City Council's City Planning department have been successful in a bid to central government to be part of a pilot project looking at how Neighbourhood Planning can work more effectively in inner city areas such as Harehills. The pilot will support a small number of neighbourhood forum areas in Leeds including the newly formed Harehills Neighbourhood Forum and will mean the forum will benefit from extra support and resource going forward as well the findings and outcomes from the pilot scheme having the potential to impact national policy on neighbourhood planning in the future.

Harehills Festival of Stories

On Friday 29th and Saturday 30th April the first Festival of Stories took place in Harehills. The event was led by students at Leeds Beckett University. The event ran over two days both online via Zoom and in person at The Compton Centre.

A vertical poster for the Harehills Festival of Stories. The background is light blue with abstract organic shapes in shades of blue, green, and brown. At the top, the title 'HAREHILLS Festival of Stories' is written in large, bold, white letters with a red outline. Below the title, a tagline reads: 'Join us for two FREE, fun-filled days to learn more about your town, your neighbours and yourself in a festival created by the community, for the community!'. In the center, there is an illustration of three diverse people (two men and one woman) in various poses, some with arms raised, suggesting a celebratory or active atmosphere. Below the illustration, the event details are listed for both days: Friday 29th April (Digital Day) and Saturday 30th April (Arts and Crafts and Human Library). At the bottom, there is a slogan 'UNDER EVERY ROOF THERE IS A STORY WHAT'S YOURS?', a contact section with an email address, and social media icons for Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook, all followed by the name 'FestivalofStoriesHarehills'.

HAREHILLS Festival of Stories

Join us for two FREE, fun-filled days to learn more about your town, your neighbours and yourself in a festival created by the community, for the community!



Friday 29th April - Digital Day 10am-12pm

Join us online on zoom to see amazing contributions by the community. Audio, visual, written, and drawn exhibitions of favourite memories, hobbies, places and recipes as well as talks by key members of the community.

Book onto the event at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/315223370587>

Saturday 30th April - The Compton Centre Arts and Crafts 10am-12pm

Meet us at the Compton Centre for a morning for arts and crafts activities all about telling our stories through art and highlighting the things we love about Harehills.

Human Library 1pm-3pm

Join us for a Human Library in the afternoon, where you can speak to a 'human book' and learn about their life, loves, stories and wisdom. This a way of encouraging people to share their stories with each other and getting to know your local community!

Ticket booking is encouraged at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/315378213727>

**UNDER EVERY ROOF THERE IS A STORY
WHAT'S YOURS?**

Contact

Whether you've got questions, want to check out the website, or contribute something, you can email us at festivalofstoriesharehills@gmail.com



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The sessions included arts & crafts as well as talks from local people and were supported by the LCC Safer Stronger Communities Team but very much delivered by the students and residents involved with both days being a great celebration of Harehills and the people that live there.

Challenges to Alcohol Licencing Applications

Intensive work is continuing to offset the complex challenges posed by the sheer volume of retail outlets selling alcohol in and around Harehills' main arteries. In April, a shop on Roundhay Road (Indigo) applied for a licence to sell alcohol 24 hours a day, seven days a week (including a hatch system for out of hours sales).

Whilst Indigo sat outside of the existing Cumulative Impact Area, Cllr Salma Arif (Gipton & Harehills) and Public Health colleagues vigorously opposed the application on the grounds of: prevention of crime and disorder; prevention of public nuisance; protection of children from harm; public safety. Such was the power of these representations by Cllr Arif and Public Health colleagues, the licensing sub-committee refused the application outright:

<https://democracy.leeds.gov.uk/documents/g11541/Printed%20minutes%2005th-Apr-2022%2010.00%20Licensing%20Sub-Committee.pdf?T=1>

Since the Cumulative Impact Assessment was undertaken and the Cumulative Impact Policy introduced by Leeds City Council in 2018, Councillors, partners and residents in Gipton & Harehills Ward have provided enough evidence to ensure that three licence applications to sell alcohol in Harehills have now been refused by the council's licensing committee:

- Krakus on Harehills Road in 2019 - <https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/news/controversial-24-hour-alcohol-licence-leeds-licence-rejected-155524>
- Zuber on Seaforth Place in 2020 - <https://www.yorkshireeveningpost.co.uk/news/politics/council/harehills-shop-refused-alcohol-licence-due-to-street-drinking-problems-2987786>
- Indigo on Roundhay Road in 2022

10. Killingbeck & Seacroft - Priority Neighbourhood & Target Wards

Employment and Skills Offer

The Safer Stronger Communities Team have worked closely with Seacroft Community on Top and Employment and Skills to deliver an exciting pilot project. The partnership has worked together to engage a group of eight regular learners, who are accessing literacy courses from the local Denis Healey Centre. We hope to build on this pilot and offer more courses to the learners and other residents in the future.

Seacroft Clean Up

A recent community clean up organised by Housing was hugely successful in the ward. Housing, the Tenant Engagement Team and the Inner East Community Committee contributed funding to source skips in identified locations. Council officers, Killingbeck and Seacroft councillors and the community also came together on the day to do litter picking across the ward. Overall, four skips and three caged vans were filled, and over 30 bags of litter were collected. Due to the success, there is an ambition to hold the events regularly throughout the year.

Community Updates

As well as continuing to deliver a large variety of community provisions across the ward, the fantastic third sector organisations we work closely with are further developing their offers and working on projects such as a mechanics group for young people, supporting residents during the cost-of-living crisis and organised play sessions in local playgrounds. There are also plans for exciting community events over the Jubilee bank holiday weekend.

Targeted Youth Work

Work in partnership with Youth Services, LS14 Trust, Seacroft and Manston Cluster, St Giles Trust and the local community has again continued. The aim of the work is to support young people who are vulnerable to child criminal exploitation and their families, and also raise awareness of signs and indicators of exploitation amongst parents and professionals. The work has included a variety of projects in the community and in schools. A review of this work and an opportunity to share learning and make collaborative future plans is scheduled.

11. Selective Licencing

The service is a city-wide service whose remit is to address poor housing standards in the private sector, mainly the private rented sector (PRS). To improve housing quality in the PRS as a Council we will work with landlords and target those who fail in their legal duty.

To address housing quality in the PRS the Council undertakes the following functions:

- Addresses complaints – we receive more than 3500/4000 requests for help in most years
- HMO licencing – around 3000 HMO's are licenced at any one time in the city
- Proactively target both areas and individual landlords via the Leeds Neighbourhood Approach, Selective Licencing in Beeston and Harehills, the Rogue Landlord Unit and intel to target landlords whose model is to overdevelop properties
- Proactively target empty homes to bring them back into occupation (day to day complaints regarding empty homes are still dealt with by colleagues in Cleaner Neighbourhoods Teams)

Below is a link to the recent Scrutiny Board Report in February 2020 which gives more details on the activity of service city wide

[Council and democracy \(leeds.gov.uk\)](https://www.leeds.gov.uk/council-and-democracy)

Inner East Activity

The main activity in the inner east is the selective licencing area in Harehills.

The area was designated as a selective licencing area in January 20. Unfortunately, COVID over the last 2 years has meant that it has not been progressed as originally planned which has affected delivery.

Since the designation we have received 3964 applications, of which 3084 have now received their full licences and 199 drafts have been issued. 457 are at different stages of being processed and 224 licences have been withdrawn, revoked or refused due to lack of payment, not required, outside the actual area or failing to meet the management requirement for the property.

Not all landlords have applied for or licenced their properties as part of the scheme and the service has had to investigate 152 properties in relation a lack of licencing of properties. This has resulted in 107 properties being subject to formal action for the absolute offence of not having a licence of which 32 have been paid and completed.

Unfortunately, COVID delayed the proposed proactive visits which did not start until late 2021. So far, we have undertaken 110 proactive licence compliance visits.

This has resulted in around 50% of properties having a referral to partners for support in relation to issues such as help with employment, homelessness prevention, benefits help, bulky waste removal, etc.

However, the visits are also finding significant issues in terms of the quality of accommodation, including lack of fire safety, disrepair and issues with risks from falls. Depending on the level of concern, most cases are initially being dealt with informally giving landlords the opportunity to work with us to address issues. However, where this is not forthcoming then formal action is taken, with the service of legal notices to ensure works are completed. Failure to comply with notices will lead to more formal action being taken.

As well as the activity directly linked of selective licencing, we have also targeted resources into the area to address standards, mainly due to complaints in the area.

- 127 properties have been subject to a visit
- 153 notices served
- 110 homes improved with 372 people now living in improved homes

12. Community Hubs/Libraries

Our Community Hubs, Libraries and Employment Support are operating in a fully face to face covid safe environment offering a warm welcome back to all stakeholders.

As covid restrictions eased we welcomed back our partners into our Community Hubs and Libraries and have run a varied offer of events for the community as listed below: -

The Compton Centre:

Digi drop-in session

Monthly digital 121 drop-in sessions, Librarian Led, help gain digital skills & confidence to use tablets, smartphones, or computers to try something new, say hello or get tech savvy. Free sessions no booking required, attendees to just turn up with their devices or use a library PC, able to talk to our friendly Librarians who will help get attendees started.

Local School visits

Local schools class visits to the library where the children learn about books, have time to choose and read books while in the library and take the book home.

GRT/St Vincent's surgery.

GRT drop-in surgery-Gypsy Roma Traveller Team hold a drop-in surgery every Wednesday 10-12 to assist the EU communities with utilities, EUSS, School and DWP form filling

GRT Team hold an EU Digital support session every fortnight to assist with emails, getting their customers to gain access to their Universal Credit journal and much more.

Fresh Start-part of the GRT Team offer session for EU children not in school every Wednesday 10-12pm.

St. Vincent's Outreach session at Compton Centre- hold an immigration surgery every Wednesday 10-12pm who link in with the GRT team. The amount of need for this service is great. In the weeks before the deadline of the EU Settlement, advisers felt very overwhelmed by the need required. St Vincent's provide a confidential service, with pre booked appointments. By booking appointments directly with people, they are able to fill in the gaps of people not wanting to leave details for strangers. Individuals will be able to walk away with an appointment time, and a list of documents to bring with them.

The GRT Team and St Vincents are doing all of the EUSS referrals that come into CSWS now so it's increased workload (there's 25 referrals each week).

Grab a Job

Grab a Job-NHS provide a drop in COVID 19 vaccination clinic every Wednesday, open to anyone ages 16+, All doses available.

GamCare Surgery

GamCare surgery is at Compton every Tuesday-**GamCare** are a charity who offer counselling to anyone affected by problem gambling, including family members

Bat & Chat

Bat & Chat session every Thursday from 4.30pm. Anyone welcome to come learn how to play ping pong and have a chat, run by PING PONG 4U.

Story and Rhyme Time

Story and rhyme time is weekly on Fridays 10.30am – 11.30am, a fun interactive session for families with children under 5 years old. This is also followed on by a toy library session and play and stay each week where toys, crafts are currently available for the children to play with on site.

Money Buddies

Money Buddies Sessions every Friday 9am-12pm. This is a drop-in service where customer can access financial and debt advice and receive representation on specific issues.

Leeds City Credit Union-weekly surgery

CAB drop-in surgery.

CAB hold a weekly drop-in surgery. Pre booked appointments needed.

ESOL Classes

YMCA run ESOL classes for beginners and Advanced session every Mondays. Beginners 9.30-12pm
Advanced sessions 12.30-3pm.

Introduction to Digital Skills

YMCA are running a 6-week Digital skills course around how to send emails and attachments, create a word document, use the internet, look at online shopping, local services etc., become more confident with PCS, Smartphones & tablets.

Leeds Baby Bank

Leeds Baby Bank run a drop in serve every 2nd Thursday of every month. Leeds Baby Bank donate Nappies, wipes, toiletries, infant food by age, Leeds Baby bank also except donations of cots, prams, stair gates, Moses baskets, hight chairs.

Healthy Holidays

Healthy Holidays ran throughout the Easter Holidays, up to 50 children attended daily with a range of culture and sport activities. Visits to Plant skate were arranged for the children. Breakfast, fruit and hot cooked meal at lunch time were provided each day

Connecting Roma Event-

The aim of the event was to introduce a new partner and a wider offer to the Leeds community. Connecting Roma are currently Bradford based but would like to share some of their learning and cultural knowledge with Leeds. This was an exciting opportunity to share best practice and work with new partners whilst expanding on how we support the Romanian community in Leeds. There was a host of organisations with stalls/tables at the event, engaging with the community and providing information. The event was to improve health and engagement with the Roma/Romanian community.

International Roma day

International Roma Day was held at The Compton Centre in April, the event was devoted to Europe's largest ethnic minority, the Roma, a predominant part of whom suffer from discrimination and isolation. The day focused on Roma history, culture, language, and aspirations, which remain largely unknown in Europe, even though they are key to mutual understanding and can contribute to closing the gap between communities. The Easter Bunny attended and gave easter eggs to all the children that attended the event.

Leeds fostering 'pop ups'

To promote fostering opportunity in the community. A fostering advisor & foster carer ambassador was on site offering advice and guidance

One You Leeds Pop up

One You Leeds is a free local healthy living service designed to support Leeds residents to start and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Leeds Cancer Awareness Project pop up

The team work with local communities, talking to people to raise awareness to spread the message and are prompting people to take up screening appointments such as breast and bowel cancer screening and promoting the use of the free open-access chest x-ray service available in Leeds for the over 50s with a persistent cough.

Creator Space at The Compton Centre:

March, 10am - 12pm: Touchstone self-care group

A five-week Women's self-care group in The Creator Space was delivered in March/April this year. There were some really good connections among local people and made a significant difference to attendees' confidence, health and wellbeing.

March 4.30pm – 5.30pm: Code Club

This is a free event-Participant discovered our easy-to-follow projects which will help them to learn a variety of coding languages by making games, robots, animations and websites in a supportive environment,

Code Club is a global network for family.

March, 10.30am – 12pm: Nature:bots

Nature box project – create a space at Compton, soft launch. Nature box funded by the royal academy of engineering, Leeds museums, Leeds libraries and The University of Leeds. Summer camp at Compton 6 x session over 2 weeks, between 8-12 coding using Raspberry Pi's, census created bug hotels too.

March, 1.30 – 3pm: First Steps with Digital 3-week course

First Step with Digital is a beginner's level digital skills course. This course is specifically for people who **cannot do any/most** of the seven Foundation level tasks by themselves.

The seven Foundation tasks are:

1. Turn on the device and login to any accounts/profiles
2. Connect the device to a Wi-Fi network
3. Use the different menu settings on the device to make it easier to use
4. Find and open different applications
5. Update and change a password when prompted to do so
6. Utilise the available controls on the device
7. Open an internet browser to access websites

This is a free event.

March, 1.00 – 3.00pm: Zine making workshop

In this workshop participants learnt how to make their own zine, featuring stories, people, and events that they think would make the headlines. Giving a voice to communities ignored or misrepresented by the mainstream press.

In Children's library:

March 10 – 11am: Shakespeare Week workshop by Chicken Shop Shakespeare (for school class)

Friends of Gledhow Valley Woods (FGVW) poetry workshop - Harehills Primary Y5

As part of the FGVW exhibition at Compton a couple of poetry workshops were ran, some of the poems will then be read out at the launch event on the 25th May.

20 pupils from Harehills primary attended for a poetry workshop. They were split into two groups of 10, one group did the poetry session in the Creatorspace while the other group had an introduction to the library, both groups swapped during the session.

Adult poetry workshop – FGVW this time for adults ran the following day.

Into the Fabulous Green: Exhibition Launch.

The exhibition is now at the Compton Centre. The official launch event will take place on the morning of Wednesday the 25th May, using the stage in the children's library.

Tom Riordan attended along with Cllr Salma Arif who did a talk at the opening.

Youth Service

The Youth Service delivering a 12-week programme to engage with the local young people. Sessions continue.

Nowell Mount Community Centre pop up.

Compton Centre offer a drop-in support service from Nowell Mount Community Centre.

National Knife Crime Awareness Week Actions

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Several knife sweeps were conducted across the Burmantofts and Harehills ward areas.

Officers and partner agencies engaged with young people at the Compton Centre, designing stop knife crime t-shirts.

PCSO's were present with the engagement vehicle on Harehills Lane, raising awareness of knife crime and providing key community safety information and advice.

Recruitment event- Passenger Assistant and Cleaning operatives

Guaranteed interview on the day for Passenger Assistant and Cleaning operatives for all those who attend.

Agness foundation pop up

Agness Foundation exists to relief mental health problems of black people in Leeds by promoting the health and wellbeing.

The pop-up sessions aim are:

- To reduce depression
- To increase black people's confidence to access services
- To increase awareness of mental health and wellbeing
- Provided food parcels

To celebrate the successful pop up the Lord Mayor of Leeds was invited to the Agness foundations Saturday session at The Compton Centre.

Knitting & Glow

Your Space run a knitting & Crochet session weekly, free for all to join.

Manbassador

A new local group for men run by ZEST-Men's health unlocked, men can come along meet other men locally and across the city, learn new skills, take part in a range of interesting activities, become part of the men's Health Unlocked Network, Help create a new magazine in Leeds. Group meets at The Compton Centre weekly.

Queens Jubilee celebrations.

As part of the Queens jubilee celebrations Compton held a Jubilee tea party with a union Jack cake plus refreshments. Also to celebrate the Jubilee, Libraries in Leeds worked together to create fabric bunting to decorate spaces in the Hub.

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Bug Hunt - half term activity

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Seacroft Community Hub and Library

Registrars

Registrars now deliver a surgery 3 days a week at Seacroft Hub.

Easter Events-

April Secret Cinema 40 attended for showing of Peter Rabbit

April -Easter Crafts, 30 attended to make Easter Cards and Bunny Ears etc...

April - Asylum Network Event – Sacha and Vanessa held a stall promoting services and joining asylum seekers – 30 joined the library on the day – Also made contacts with other organisations at the event – such as Mentally Healthy Leeds and Museums and Galleries who are keen to have 'pop ups' at Seacroft/Crossgates.

Story and Rhyme Time

Our very popular story and rhyme time is held every Thursday at 10.30am – 11.30am its interactive for children under 5 years old.

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Words for Wellbeing event

Written words were used, song's lyrics, poetry, and prose, to explore the world and ourselves in a friendly and informal chat-based group. You do not have to be a book work free session; residents were invited to come and join in with a coffee and a chat.

Old news-Read all about it-

Workshop to explore Leeds Library's historic newspapers collections, dating back to the 17th century. Where you can find out about the different ways news has been reported since the English Civil War through to the present day. Also discussed what makes the news where you live, how does a local story become a headline grabber or how does someone make it into the history books, free event for all.

Untold Stories: The Irish Community.

Untold story is a community archive project undertaken by the Irish Arts Foundation. The project looks at the experiences of the emigrant Irish community in Leeds in the second half of the twentieth century, particularly their settlement patterns and cultural traditions such as music, dance, song, and sport.

Free event which features a verbal presentation using Untold Stories website and documentary as well as live traditional Irish music.

Cinema Club

Monthly cinema club on an evening has resumed. These screenings will be supervised by staff who work at the hub.

The aim is providing a safe environment for young people on an evening where they can meet new friends and familiarise themselves with other events and activities in the hub.

Seasonal Gardener LCC roles recruitment.

Seasonal Gardening Recruitment- The Parks and Countryside team were recruiting for Seasonal Gardener vacancies with on the day interviews. Seacroft Hub had 30 from the local community interviewed on the day. Parks and Countryside were keen to recruit in Seacroft areas as the vacancies are local to these sites and Ward Members are also keen for the local opportunities to go to local people.

Police contact point - Drop-in.

Police were at Seacroft Hub and held a drop-in session.

Polling Station

Seacroft Hub was used as a polling station for the recent elections, the Hub continued to deliver its core services on the day while the polling station was in operation.

and themed story time

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Themed story time for the Queens Jubilee was delivered to all the children attending the Queens jubilee celebrations.

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iPad lending Scheme

The eligibility criteria are that the resident/customer lives in Burmantofts or Richmond Hill area and are digitally excluded for any reason.

The customer will loan an iPad in a case and charger along with 5g of data a month for 3 months. Each month a member of the team at Burmantofts Hub will check in with them to see if they need any help or assistance digitally or would like to be referred to any partners for online assistance.

CAB drop-in surgery.

CAB hold a weekly drop-in surgery. Pre booked appointments needed.

Proverbs31Woman CIC pop up.

Proverbs 31 women attended Burmantofts Hub to promote their community college project and activities.

COVID Vaccination Clinic drop in 2 Days a week.

The Elland Road Vaccination Team provided "Pop up Clinics" at Burmantofts Hub to support the uptake of vaccine.

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13. Housing Advisory Panel (HAP)

Inner East Tenant Engagement

Housing Leeds Funded Groups

We have Six Groups in Burmantofts that Housing Leeds provides grants to;

- Connect, (still waiting for this group to get back on their feet).
- Cross Green Growing Together,
- Saxton Gardens Residents Association, (This group requires more support to help them become more inclusive)
- Nowel Community Group,
- Burmantofts and Richmond Hill Group,

In Gipton and Harehills we have three groups in receipt of the Housing Leeds Grant;

- Pembroke Community Group
- St Augustine's Tenants and residents Association, (group yet to be re-activated after covid)
- Denbighs Social Club
- Briarsdales, (This is a social group but are working towards becoming a TARA to continue to receive their Annual Support Grant)

Block Champions

We also have nine block champions across both the wards who give us a perspective on the issues within and around each of their respective blocks.

We have recently had Patrick from Pembroke's retire; we are currently going through a process to recruit other Block Champions.

Community Schemes

- In April we held a Joint action day with Police/ housing/ youth Services to engage with the residents in East End Park. We aim to do this again every six weeks. We gained information, publicised the community watch programme and litter picked the area.
- Litter picks were also conducted around the Shakespeare's and Saxton Gardens.

Smarter working

- We reduced cost of HAP meetings by holding some meetings online and others going hybrid to save on travel and time costs. We have gathered technology to make hybrid meetings smoother – with a projector, a webcam, and a microphone/speaker.
- Our consultations are conducted through emails/ text face to face and phone calls, and we rely less heavily on paper responses.
- We have run two consultations through Your voice Leeds in which we combined door-knocking and face to face with inputting on the digital survey. We had a much greater response working with people in this way.
- We are finding the balance between working from home, going to Merrion House -our team base and working from our Housing Offices.

Your Voice Leeds

Your Voice Leeds is a bespoke consultation tool currently on its trial year with Housing Leeds. Many of the projects are Housing Leeds focussed but we have plans to incorporate more departments of the council onto this one platform.

This tool has now been taken over by a different department – The Strategy and investment team <https://yourvoice.leeds.gov.uk/>

Your Voice also has several City-wide consultations.

Inner East Housing Advisory Panel (IEHAP) for March -May.

The IEHAP meet to consider the funding of environmental and community projects and services that benefit our housing Leeds Tenants, in the wards of Burmantofts & Richmond Hill and. The HAP is represented by two ward members, Councillors Kamila Maqsood and Cllr Denise Ragan. The Inner East Panel has is adapting to Hybrid meeting with some members/officers joining online.

Funding Priorities:

The 2022/23 Priorities are due to be agreed with panel members once Tenants have had an opportunity to return their SMART survey.

The current 2021/22 priorities of the panel are outlined in the 'Plan on a page'

- Improve overall environment through listening to tenants and Housing officers' problems in the environment and rectifying with more bins and better bin stores and preventative measures for damage to the environment also providing communities with planters, recycling & litter bins. Support bids from Bloom Groups to help the area look more aesthetically pleasing.
- Promoting social activities i.e., gardening/litter picking/walking groups to improve residents' mental health and wellbeing whilst also helping to improve the environment and appearance of the neighbourhoods Support applications with other council teams, service providers and voluntary organisations to address social problems including burglary, ASB, drugs and domestic violence.

- Work with third sector organisations to make more use of community spaces. Encourage activities at such places to help lift morale and engage further. Improve community cohesion and inspire residents to lead communal activities.
- Support bids that will help tenants with IT, financial literacy, budgeting and general literacy and numeracy. Digital projects that will encourage tenants to get online.

Budget:

- Total Budget for 2021/22 of £51,221.13
- The total spend for the year to date is £35,057.35
- The total budget for 2022/23 is £61,161.99 (including last year's carry over).

Projects:

20 projects have been approved by the panel.

- Easterly Mount Bin store has been relocated to reduce fly tipping and vermin near residences.
- Beacons have been provided with a revamped seating area
- Scargill flats have had their communal seating areas restored.
- Harehills bowling club has received funding for outside seating for their café and a lockable shed.
- Saxton Gardens has received funding for planters.
- Haselwood Close Bin Store Improvements to reduce Fly-tipping and provide extra capacity.
- Shakespeare Bin Store to be improved- removing the old wooden fence and installing three bin cages.
- Gipton Gate West has had an extra fence installed to prevent shortcut access through the grounds.
- Cromwell Kneehigh rail partly funded by HAP.
- Denbigh Planters for the front entrance.
- Pembrooks entrance matting.
- Harehills community Orchard- Orchard Maintenance course.
- Amberton Gardens/Crescent and Torre Green/Gardens Parking bays re-marking
- Good Gardens Competition for Summer 2022
- Mafwa Theatre- Roxby Close Gardening Group
- Brecons entrance matting
- Pembrokes Bingo Machine
- Briarsdale community Seating

Working in Partnership

Housing Managers continues to support the IS HAP by attending meetings to provide up to date information about rent, voids, and Annual Home Visits performance data so panel members are clear about what is happening in their area. Performance information is put in context both with issues affecting our communities in relation to citywide data and Key Performance Indicators (KPI). These reports indicate performance in Inner East Leeds continues to be on track.

Working in partnership with the Community Committee continues to be an important objective for the IE HAP We are working in partnership to ensure tenants and residents benefit from this joint working approach in the range of projects funded. The IE HAP and Community Committee work carefully to make the best use of available funds, get value for money, and use money wisely to benefit our communities.

14. Community Engagement: Social Media

Appendix 1 - Provides the committee with information on posts and details recent social media activity for the Inner East Community Committee Facebook page, along with the 3-ward based

Coronavirus Facebook help pages. The report highlights key themes promoted through social media posts, as well as topics addressed relevant to the period of time.

The report covers from 21st February 22 – 30th May 2022

Corporate Considerations

15. Consultation and Engagement

The Community Committee has, where applicable, been consulted on information detailed within the report.

16. Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

All work that the Communities Team are involved in is assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion, and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process for funding of projects complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

17. Council Polices and City Priorities

Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

- Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30
- Best City Plan
- Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
- Children and Young People's Plan
- Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
- Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

18. Resources and Value for Money

Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

19. Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

20. Risk Management

Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all projects and wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants can deliver the intended benefits.

21. Conclusions

The report provides up to date information on key areas of work for the Community Committee.

22. Recommendations

The Community Committee is asked to note the content of the report and comment as appropriate.

23. Background documents¹

None.

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.